

LAUNDRY APPLIANCE HAVING AN ILLUMINATION DEVICE

Abstract

The present invention relates to a laundry appliance having an illumination device in the area of the door, said door being disposed in the appliance housing on the front and closing the loading opening to the rotatably mounted drum, an illuminating ring circumferentially surrounding the edge of the door.

In order to design a laundry appliance having an illumination device in a manner that allows for glare-free illumination of the edge area of the door both in appliances with a door glass and in appliances that do not have a door glass, the illuminating ring is generated by an illumination device (7) which is arranged such that it is concealed behind the closed door and is located in a stamped section (10, 11) which is recessed with respect to the housing front (1) of the appliance and circumferentially surrounds the loading opening (2). The light of the illumination device (7) is reflected at the edge surfaces (11) of the stamped section (10, 11) and of the door edge, so that the illuminating ring visible at the housing front (1) of the appliance is formed in the gap area (13) between the surrounding edge (11) of the stamped section and the door edge.